

PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 09797.0004-00

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Lieven J. STUYVER et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1623  
Application No.: 10/045,292 ) Examiner: Traviss C. McIntosh, III  
Filed: October 18, 2001 )  
For: MODIFIED NUCLEOSIDES FOR ) Confirmation No.: 4833  
THE TREATMENT OF VIRAL )  
INFECTIONS AND ABNORMAL )  
CELLULAR PROLIFERATION )

Commissioner for Patents  
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VIA EFS-Web

Sir:

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Office Action mailed September 11, 2008 (the "Office Action"), the period for response having been extended to March 11, 2009, by a request for a three-month extension of time and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment sections of this paper.